

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
MISSOULA DIVISION

JULIE GONZALEZ SKELTON,

Plaintiff,

vs.

ANDREW SAUL, Commissioner of
Social Security Administration,

Defendant.

CV 19-151-M-KLD

ORDER

Plaintiff Julie Gonzalez Skelton, by and through her attorney, John E. Seidlitz, Jr., moves under the Equal Access to Justice Act ("EAJA"), 28 U.S.C. §2412(d), for attorney fees incurred in prosecuting her Social Security appeal. She requests \$9,133.63 in fees. Defendant Commissioner of Social Security does not oppose Skelton's application for fees. (Doc. 20).

Upon Plaintiff's Motion for Fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act, and for good cause showing:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that attorney fees in the amount of \$9,133.63 shall be awarded to Plaintiff pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. §2412. Attorney fees will be paid to Plaintiff's attorney, dependent upon verification that Plaintiff has no debt which qualifies for offset against the awarded

fees, pursuant to the Treasury Offset Program as discussed in *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 130 S.Ct. 2521 (2010).

If Plaintiff has no such debt, then the check shall be made out to Plaintiff's attorney and mailed to Plaintiff's attorney's office as follows:

Seidlitz Law Office
P.O. Box 1581
Great Falls, MT 59403-1581

If Plaintiff has a debt, then the check for any remaining funds after offset of the debt shall be made to Plaintiff and mailed to Plaintiff's attorney's office at the address stated above.

DATED this 4th day of August, 2020



Kathleen L. DeSoto
United States Magistrate Judge